

CHAPTER 8(C)

Health certificate

For digests for use in the manufacture of pet food, intended for dispatch to the European Community

Note for the importer: This certificate is only for veterinary purposes and has to accompany the consignment until it reaches the border inspection post.

Reference number of this health certificate:

Country of destination:
(name of the EC Member State)

Exporting country:

Responsible Ministry:

Certifying department:

I. Identification of the digest products

Nature of digest products:.....

Species of animals from which the digest products derive:

Nature of packaging:

Number of packages:

Net weight:.....

Lot/batch production reference number:

II. Origin of the digest products

Address and registration number of the approved processing establishment:.....

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III. Destination of the digest products

The digest products will be sent:

From:.....

(place of loading)

To:.....

(Country and place of destination)

By the following means of transport¹:

Number of seal (if applicable):

Name and address of consignor:.....

Name and address of consignee:.....

¹ For goods vehicles the registration number should be given. For bulk containers the container number and the seal number (if applicable) should be included.

IV. Health attestation

I, the undersigned official veterinarian, declare that I have read and understood Regulation (EC) No 1774/2002/EC² as last amended and certify that the digest products described above:

1. Consist of animal by-products derived from species referred to under I above and satisfy the animal health requirement below:
2. Have been prepared and stored in a plant approved, validated and supervised by the competent authority in accordance with Article 18 of Regulation (EC) No 1774/2002³.
3. Have been prepared including the following animal by-products which are exclusively⁴:
 - (a) parts of slaughtered animals, which are fit for human consumption in accordance with Community legislation, but are not intended for human consumption for commercial reasons, and/or
 - (b) parts of slaughtered animals, which are rejected as unfit for human consumption but are not affected by any signs of diseases communicable to humans or animals and derive from carcasses that are fit for human consumption in accordance with Community legislation
 - (c) hides and skins, hooves and horns, pig bristles and feathers originating from animals that are slaughtered in a slaughterhouse, after undergoing ante-mortem inspection, and were fit, as a result of such inspection, for slaughter for human consumption in accordance with Community legislation;
 - (d) blood obtained from animals other than ruminants that are slaughtered in a slaughterhouse, after undergoing ante-mortem inspection, and were fit, as a result of such inspection, for slaughter for human consumption in accordance with Community legislation;
 - (e) animal by-products derived from the production of products intended for human consumption, including degreased bones and greaves;

² Regulation (EC) No 1774/2002 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 3 October 2002 laying down health rules concerning animal by-products not intended for human consumption.

³ OJ L 273, 10.10.2002, p. 1.

⁴ Delete the appropriate sub-paragraph as necessary

- (f) former foodstuffs of animal origin, or former foodstuffs containing products of animal origin, other than catering waste, which are no longer intended for human consumption for commercial reasons or due to problems of manufacturing or packaging defects or other defects which do not present any risk to humans or animals;
 - (g) milk originating from animals that do not show clinical signs of any disease communicable through that product to humans or animals;
 - (h) fish or other sea animals, except sea mammals, caught in the open sea for the purposes of fishmeal production;
 - (i) by-products from fish from plants manufacturing fish products for human consumption;
 - (j) shells, hatchery by-products and cracked egg by-products originating from animals which did not show clinical signs of any disease communicable through that product to humans or animals;
4. Have been subjected to processing in accordance with Annex VIII, Chapter XIV of Regulation 1774/2002/EC, in order to kill pathogenic agents.
 5. The competent authority examined a random sample immediately prior to dispatch and found it to comply with the following standards⁵:
 - Salmonella*: Absence in 25 g: $n = 5, c = 0, m = 0, M = 0$
 - Enterobacteriaceae*: $n = 5, c = 2, m = 10, M = 300$ in 1g.
 6. The end product was⁴:
 - (i) packed in new or sterilised bags, or
 - (ii) transported in bulk in containers or other means of transport that were thoroughly cleaned and disinfected with a disinfectant approved by the competent authority before use.
 7. The end product was stored in enclosed storage.

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Where:

n = number of samples to be tested;

m = threshold value for the number of bacteria; the result is considered satisfactory if the number of bacteria in all samples does not exceed m ;

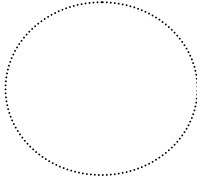
M = maximum value for the number of bacteria; the result is considered unsatisfactory if the number of bacteria in one or more samples is M or more; and

c = number of samples the bacterial count of which may be between m and M , the sample still being considered acceptable if the bacterial count of the other samples is m or less.

8. The product has undergone all precautions to avoid contamination with pathogenic agents after treatment.

Done at:..... on:.....
(place) (date)

Stamp⁶



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(signature of the official veterinarian)⁶

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(name, qualification and title, in capital letters)

⁶ The signature and the stamp must be in a different colour to that of the printing.